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What we know about the migrant caravan waiting at the Texas-Mexico border

BY [JULIÁN AGUILAR](#) FEB. 8, 2019

The roughly 1,600 migrants, who are mostly Honduran, are being housed in a former warehouse in Piedras Negras — and being guarded by Mexican law enforcement — while they wait to be let into the U.S. But processing is going slow. [FULL STORY →](#)

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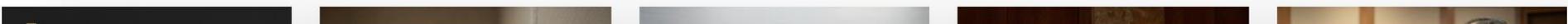
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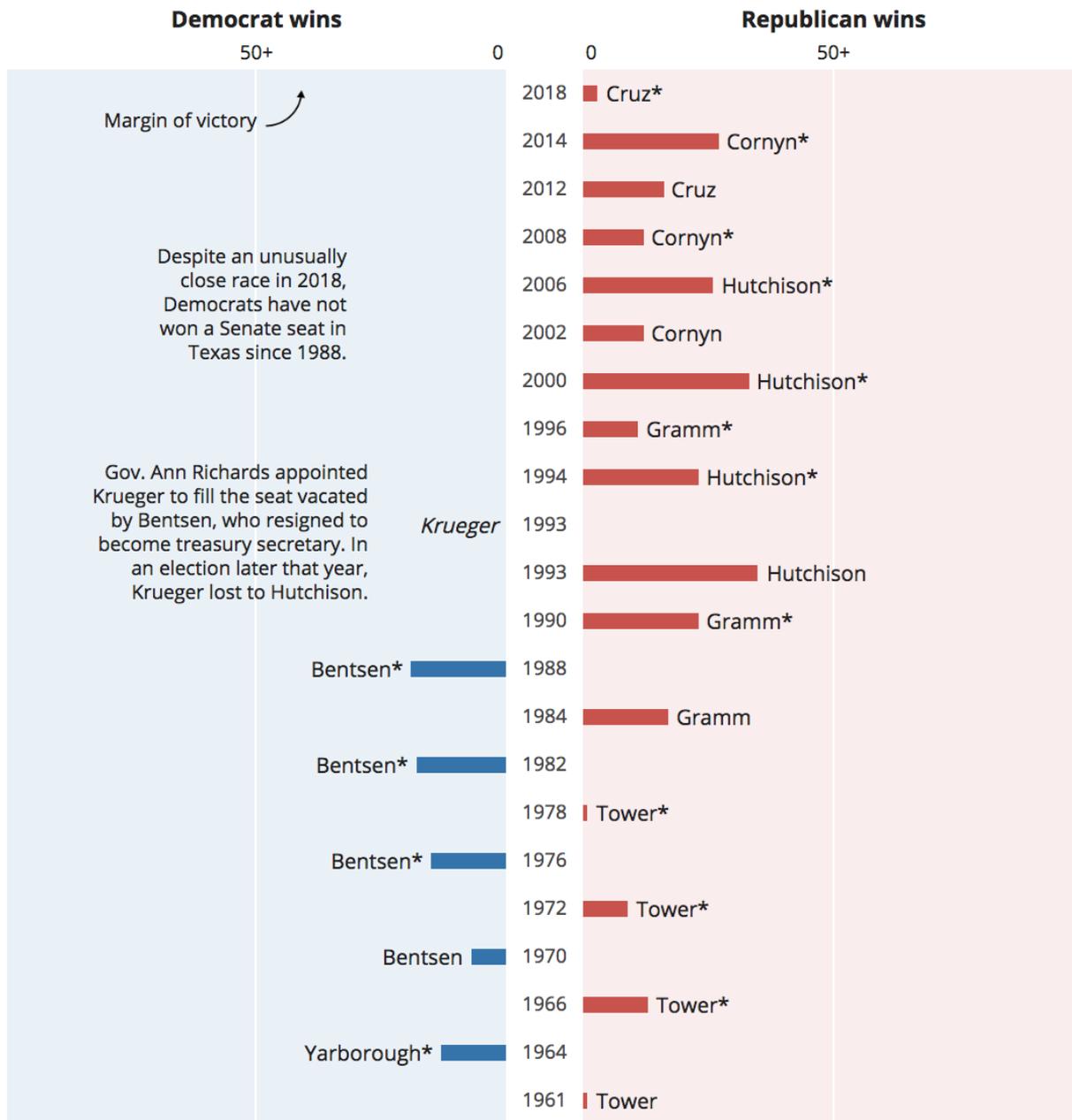
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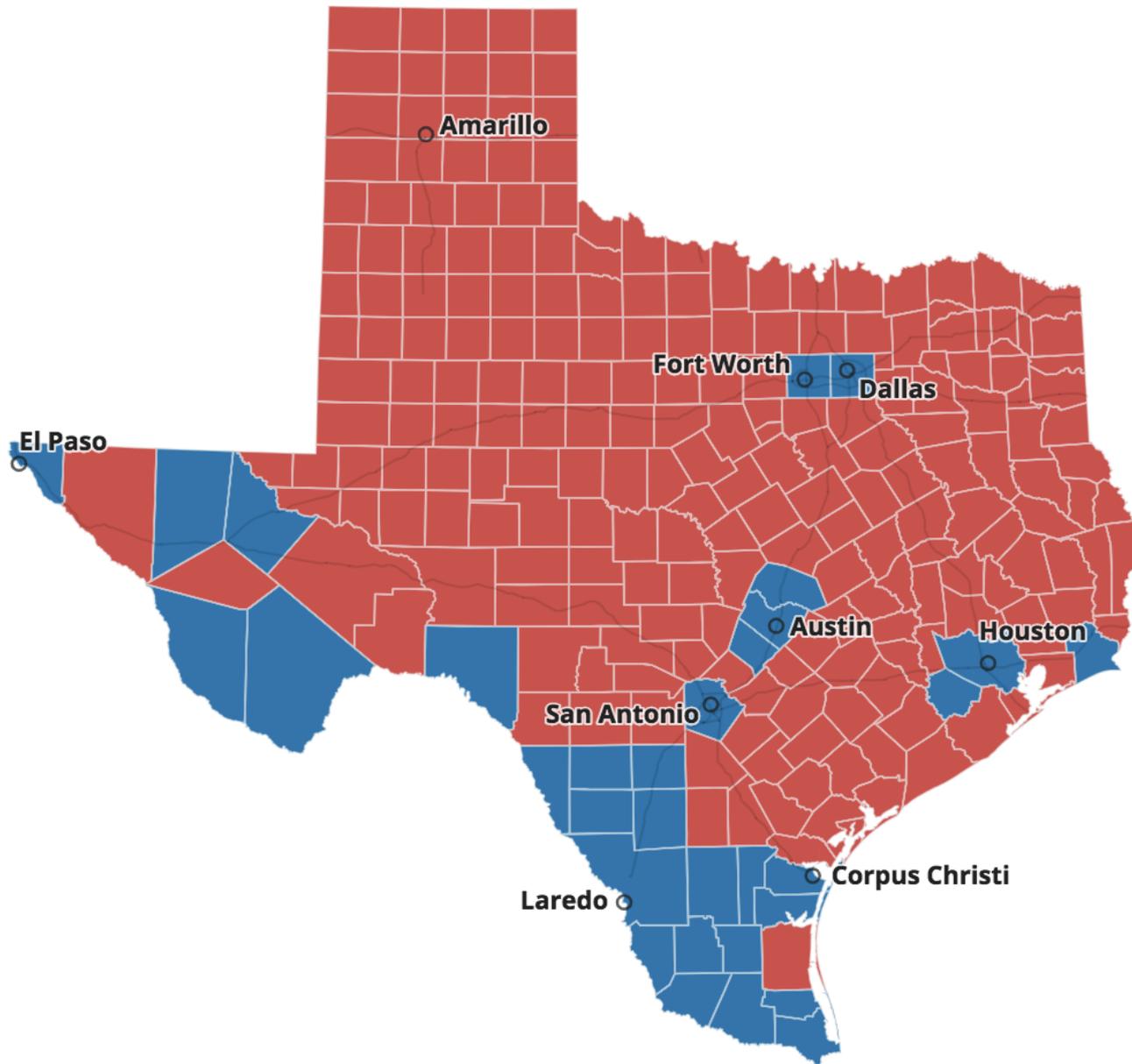
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PROJECTED WINNER			
 ✓ Ted Cruz Incumbent	Republican	4,233,184	50.9%
 Beto O'Rourke	Democrat	4,016,058	48.3
 Neal Dikeman	Libertarian	65,082	0.8

7,887 of 7,939 precincts reporting (99.3%)



* Indicates candidate was an incumbent

Source: Texas Almanac



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● Cruz ● O'Rourke

2012: 7,993,851 (58.8%)
2014: 4,727,208 (33.7%)
2016: 8,969,226 (59.4%)
2018: 8,308,904 (54.5%)

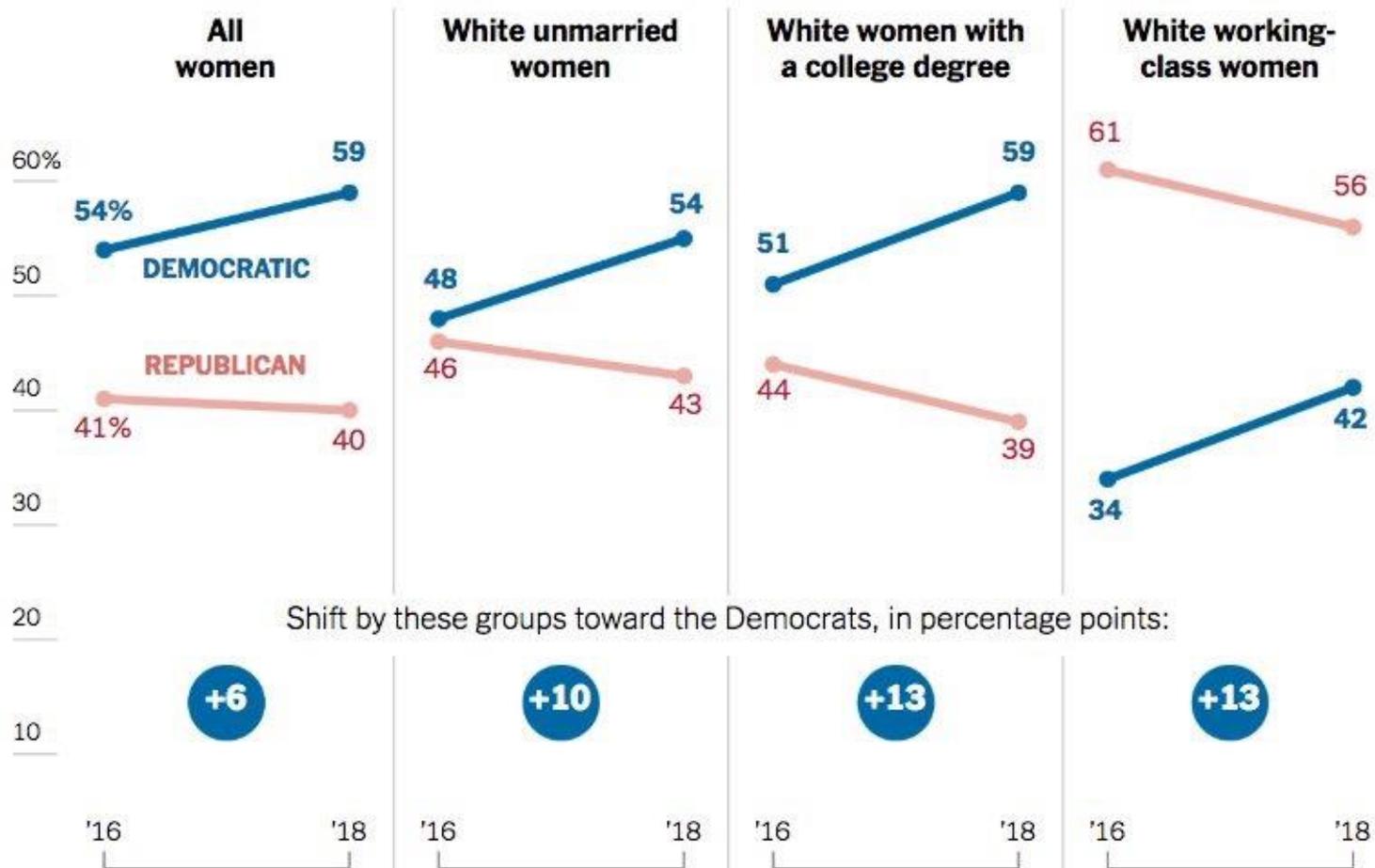






Women Turn Further Away From the Republican Party

Change in women's vote, by party, from 2016 (vote for president) to 2018 (vote in House races).



By The New York Times | Source: Greenberg Research; women with degrees have at least four years of college

In 2018, there was record Latino participation for a midterm election: up 800k from 2014 — from 1.092M to 1.892M

From 2014 to 2018, early voting by young Texans increased by 508%



Democratic women lead biggest shift in Texas House since 2010 midterms

Led by female candidates, Texas Democrats picked up 12 Texas House seats from Republicans, mostly in North Texas. But Republicans still have the edge in the lower chamber.

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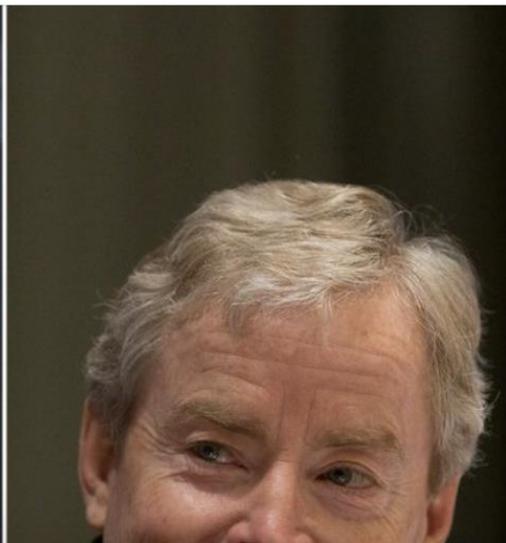
Democrats Nathan Johnson and Beverly Powell defeat state Sens. Don Huffines and Konni Burton in Texas midterm

Burton and Huffines were two of three Republican senators in districts where more voters backed Democrat Hillary Clinton over Republican Donald Trump in 2016 or where the president had a narrow winning margin.

BY [ALEX SAMUELS](#) NOV. 6, 2018 11 PM



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Gov. Greg Abbott clinches second term as GOP wins closest statewide races in 20 years

Abbott easily bested his Democratic opponent, Lupe Valdez. Meanwhile, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, Attorney General Ken Paxton and Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller faced rare single-digit contests before eventually besting Democratic challengers.

BY **MATT ZDUN** AND **KIAH COLLIER**

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UTEP ATTAINS NATIONAL CARNEGIE TOP TIER RANKING



Texas House names Dennis Bonnen new speaker on celebratory opening day

Bonnen's unanimous election marks a new era of Texas House leadership for the first time in a decade. Meanwhile, the leader of the Texas Senate, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, was conspicuously absent on opening day.

BY **CASSANDRA POLLOCK, EDGAR WALTERS, ALEX SAMUELS AND EMMA PLATOFF** JAN. 8, 2019

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Texas House proposes massive increase for public school funding

The proposed budget would increase state funds for education by about 17 percent but cut funding for health and human services by about 3 percent.

BY **EDGAR WALTERS** JAN. 14, 2019 7 PM





Texas Senate unveils its first version of a school finance reform bill

The bill is part of a series of proposals designed to slow property tax growth and fix how the state pays for its schools.

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After state leaders' unified rollout, 2.5 percent rollback rate on property tax bill looks unlikely to stick

Weeks after state leaders trumpeted a consensus property tax reform proposal, few seem married to the bill's pitch to cut the rollback rate to 2.5 percent.

BY **CASSANDRA POLLOCK** AND **EMMA PLATOFF** FEB. 19, 2019 21 HOURS AGO



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Rebuilding commission calls Hurricane Harvey a "wakeup call" for Texas

A report by the Commission to Rebuild Texas says there is an urgent need to "future-proof" the Gulf Coast.

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Texas has the highest number of uninsured kids in America, report finds

A Georgetown University Center for Children and Families report released Thursday found that Texas had about 835,000 uninsured children in 2017, an increase of 83,000 kids from the previous year.

BY **MARISSA EVANS** NOV. 29, 2018 6 AM



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Analysis: Texans who barely won in 2018 will be top targets in 2020

Winning an election by just a little bit can make a candidate a target in the next election. And this year's ballots in Texas were full of close finishes.

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Beto O'Rourke running for president

The former Democratic congressman from El Paso is jumping into the crowded race to take on President Donald Trump after O'Rourke's closer-than-expected loss to U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz in November.

BY **PATRICK SVITEK** MARCH 13, 2019 UPDATED: MARCH 14, 2019



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Joaquin Castro appears likely to challenge U.S. Sen. John Cornyn

A source close to Castro said the four-term congressman will very likely soon announce a bid for U.S. Senate.

BY **ACACIA CORONADO** MARCH 15, 2019 UPDATED: 5 PM



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Top GOP Senator Says Texas Is ‘No Longer A Reliably Red State’

“We are on the precipice of turning purple, and we’ve got a lot of work to do” to keep Texas red, Sen. John Cornyn said on Monday.



By Dominique Mosbergen



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Hispanics will pass Anglos to become the largest ethnic population in Texas

One in three Texas voters will be under 30

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